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## THE NEW REALITY IN CANADA/U.S. RELATIONS: RECONCILING SECURITY AND ECONOMIC INTERESTS AND THE “SMART BORDER DECLARATION”

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Introduction

Steve Flynn has been a Senior Fellow in the National Security Studies Program at the Counsel of Foreign Relations headquartered in New York City since June of 1999. On March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2002, he was appointed as the inaugural occupant of the Jeanne J. Kirkpatrick Chair. Dr. Flynn recently served as director principal author for the task force report “America Still Unprepared, Still in Danger,” co-chaired by former Senators Gary Hart and Warren Rudman. He is the Founder of an innovative private/public partnership to advance global container security involving America’s largest ports known as “Operation Safe Commerce.”

Dr. Flynn served as the lead consultant on homeland security issues to the U.S. Commission on National Security, the Hart/Rudman Commission, which provided the template for the newly created Department of Homeland Security. Art Collins will be publishing his book “America the Vulnerable, The Struggle to Secure Our Homeland” early in 2004. He is also the author of many articles and book chapters on homeland security and border control and transportation security.

Since 9-11, he has provided testimony on eight occasions on Capitol Hill and testified before the Canadian House Commons. You may have seen him as a guest commentator on Nightline, The Charlie Rose Show, 60 Minutes, The Today Show, Good Morning America, NPR's All Things Considered, or Morning Edition. Dr. Flynn is a 1982 graduate of the Coast Guard Academy, having served twice in command at sea he retired with the rank of Commander after 20 years of service. He received his AMALD and Ph.D in 1991 from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University.

Our Canadian speaker is Robert Hage who has graciously agreed to substitute for Deputy Prime Minister Manley. He was born in Calgary, Alberta and received his early education there. He is a graduate of the University of Calgary and obtained law degree from the University of Toronto and was called to the Alberta Bar. He attended the ACOVE National Administration in Paris.

Robert Hage joined the Department of Internal Affairs in 1972 and subsequently served in Canadian Embassies in Washington, Lagos, Paris and Deputy Head of Mission in the Canadian Mission to European Union in

Brussels, the Department in Ottawa. Mr. Hage has been Director of the League of Operations Divisions, Director of International Finance and Investment Affairs, Director of Southern European Division, Director for the European Division. He is also principal counsel for the Canada/U.S. Free Trade Agreement and an alternate representative for Canada to the United Nations Conference on Law of the Sea. Mr. Hage is Director General of the Legal Affairs Bureau in the Department of Foreign Affairs of International Trade Ottawa. He is married and has three daughters.

Our plan is that once the speakers have finished, we will open the platform up and allow you to ask questions of our presenters. It is now my honor to present to you our first speaker, Steve Flynn.